

January 9, 2023

A regular meeting of the Fruitland City Council was held at Fruitland City Hall on the above date at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Brian Howell, Tom Limbaugh, Jeff Carpenter, Kari Peterson, Ed Pierson.

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Samantha Herrera, Rick Funk, JD Huff, Danny Little, Jerry Campbell, Jesse Wetzel, Stuart Grimes.

OTHERS PRESENT: Charles Otte, Krista King, Andy Tomlinson.

Mayor Howell called the meeting to order and roll was taken.

Councilor Pierson moved to approve the December 12, 2022 minutes. Seconded by Councilor Peterson. Motion carried.

The December 2022 Fruitland Planning & Zoning Commission Report was presented by Zoning Administrator, Danny Little. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Peterson. Motion carried.

A public hearing was opened at 7:01 P.M. for the purpose of receiving testimony regarding a proposal to the Idaho Local Highway Technical Assistance Council for a Local Federal-aid Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) in the approximate amount of \$2,900,000. The proposed project is to construct needed infrastructure improvements that will reconstruct North Pennsylvania Avenue from NE 11<sup>th</sup> Street to NW 16<sup>th</sup> Street. Improvements will include improving/widening the intersection at NW 16<sup>th</sup> Street to include dedicated turn lanes, addition of curb, gutter, sidewalk and storm water drainage.

No testimony was given and the hearing was closed at 7:05 P.M.

The Council reviewed a letter from the Fruitland Chamber of Commerce requesting permission to use the meeting room at the Water Treatment Plant for monthly luncheons to be held the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month from 12-1 P.M. They are also asking permission to use the room on February 16, March 9, April 13, May 11 and June 8, 2023 from 1:30-4:P.M. for the 2023 Community Leadership Program. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the facilities use request. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

Mayor Howell appointed Stuart Grimes as the City of Fruitland's Title VI Coordinator. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the appointment. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed logo options for the Comprehensive Plan Update. Councilor Carpenter moved to use the City's current logo with the added verbiage of "Envision 2040." Seconded by Councilor Pierson. Motion carried.

Councilor Peterson explained that she would like to attend the Class of 2023-2024 AIC Leadership Academy. This is a two year leadership training designed to help community leaders better understand policy, business and community development. The Cost of the academy is \$650.00. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the request. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

The Transportation Engineer Report was reviewed. Councilor Carpenter moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Pierson. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed an Advertisement for Bids requesting sealed bids for construction of sidewalk improvements for the S. Iowa Avenue, SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Street to SW 7<sup>th</sup> Street. Bid opening will take place on February 8, 2023 at 2:00 P.M. Councilor Peterson moved to proceed. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

The Water/Sewer Engineer Report was reviewed. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Peterson. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed requests from Atlas Pallets & Packaging Products, and Western Trailers both requesting water user contracts from the City of Fruitland to allow for water services on the south side of NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. They both have plans to construct facilities and need water services for their fire suppression systems. The properties do not yet qualify for annexation and they are requesting contract to annex once able. Councilor Pierson moved to have City Attorney, Stephanie Bonney draft annexation contracts for Council review. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

The December 2022 Police Department Activity Report was presented by Chief Huff. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a memo from Police Chief Huff requesting permission to participate in an Idaho Transportation (ITD) Mini-Grant. This grant funding is for two new, handheld, Kustom Signals LIDAR units. These units will be used by patrol staff in an effort to reduce speed violations throughout the City. The grant requires the City to fund the initial purchase of the equipment of \$5,390.00 with full reimbursement from ITD to be received after purchase. The grant requires a twenty-five percent hard/soft match. The hard match would require a one-time payment of \$1,347.50 and the soft match consists of patrol car mileage during the traffic enforcement at \$0.65 per mile. Chief Huff explained he has opted for the soft match as patrol staff could meet the match in less than thirty days. Councilor Limbaugh moved to approve the request for grant participation with funds to be used from General Fund, Capital Projects. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The December 2022 Fire Department Activity Report was presented by Chief Campbell. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The December 2022 Public Works Department Activity Report was presented by Public Works Director, Jerry Campbell. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Peterson. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a property disposal request as submitted by Public Works Director, Jerry Campbell. The list consisted of several items to be sold at public auction and other items of no value to be destroyed. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the property disposal request. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

The December 2022 Building Department Activity Report was presented by Building Official, Danny Little. Councilor Carpenter moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried.

The December 2022 Technology Department Activity Report was presented by IT Manager, Jesse Wetzel. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The December 2022 Ambulance Department Activity Report was presented by Ambulance Director, Rick Funk. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the report. Seconded by Councilor Peterson. Motion carried.

The Council reviewed a Ground Transport Services and Lease agreement between Life Flight Network, LLC and the City of Fruitland. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the agreement. Seconded by Councilor Peterson. Roll call vote: Limbaugh, aye. Carpenter, aye. Peterson, aye. Pierson, aye. Motion carried.

Councilor Peterson moved to adopt Resolution No. 2023-01- Idaho Local Highway Technical Assistance Council- Local Federal-Aid Surface Transportation Block Grant- N. Pennsylvania Avenue Funding. Seconded by Councilor Pierson. Motion carried.

The December 2022 bills were reviewed by the Council. Councilor Pierson moved to approve the bills. Seconded by Councilor Carpenter. Motion carried.

The November 2022 Finance Report was reviewed by the Council. Councilor Peterson moved to approve the November 2022 Finance Report. Seconded by Councilor Pierson. Motion carried.

Councilor Pierson moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilor Limbaugh. Motion carried at 7:45 P.M.

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Brian Howell, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Suzanne Percy, City Clerk